## Instruction

## **School Day**

The Executive Director shall ensure that:

- 1. The school year provides at least 180 days of school for grades kindergarten through twelve.
- 2. The school year provides a minimum of 900 hours of actual school work for full-day kindergarten and grades one through twelve, and 450 hours for half-day kindergarten In meeting this requirement, no more than seven (7) hours of actual school work on a given day shall be credited toward meeting the 900 hour minimum.
- 3. Virtual learning shall be considered an actual school session, provided it is conducted in compliance with the standards developed by the Commissioner of Education.
- 4. If weather conditions result in early school closing or delayed opening, either a morning or afternoon kindergarten session may be provided.
- 5. In an early school closing or delayed opening because of weather, the district will still provide a minimum of 900 hours of actual school work by the conclusion of the school year.
- 6. Should it be necessary to consider alternative scheduling in any single school year, because of unusual circumstances which could interfere with fulfilling the 180-day school year requirement, the Executive Director shall recommend to the Council a plan for alternative scheduling to be transmitted to the State Board of Education for its consideration and possible approval.

In complying with statutory requirements for a minimum of 900 hours per year, the Executive Director shall exclude from the definition of actual school work that time provided for student lunch periods and non-instructional recesses at the elementary schools and students' lunch and passing time in the middle schools and the senior high school.

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